Be the Church: Check out the ways to get involved below!

Sunday-2PM Holly Brook Hymn Sing

Sunday-2PM XYZ Trip to the Orpheus Club

Monday, Wednesday, Friday 8AM Walking at the Church

Monday-6PM Trustees' Meeting

Monday-7PM Boy Scouts

Tuesday-8:30AM Staff Meeting

Tuesday-10:30AM XYZ Game Day

Tuesday-6:30PM Care Givers Support Group

Tuesday-7PM Joanna Circle

Tuesday-7PM Praise Team

Wednesday-6:30AM UMM Prayer Group Wednesday-9AM UWIF Board Meeting

Wednesday-5PM Dinner Church

Wednesday-6:15PM Family Ministry Night

Thursday-8:30AM Quilters

Thursday-5:45PM Bells Practice

Thursday-6:30PM Choir Practice

Saturday-7AM Men's Bible Study

Saturday-10:30AM Sarah Circle at Fox Farms

Sunday-8:30AM Traditional Worship (Cantata Sunday)

Sunday-9:45AM Sunday School (all ages)

Sunday-10:45AM Cross Connections Worship

Sunday-5:15PM XYZ Trip to Kramer's

Be the Church:

Scan the QR code to see the upcoming events for next week! You can also download our app to keep up to date with the events in the church! There are printed schedules available at the Welcome Desk for anyone who would like one!



Welcome to Morton United Methodist Church!

We're glad you're here!

Sunday Schedule: Traditional Service: 8:30 am Sunday School: 9:45 am

Cross Connections: 10:45 am

Wednesday Schedule: Dinner Church: 5 pm Family Ministry Night: 6 pm Bible Study: 6:30 pm

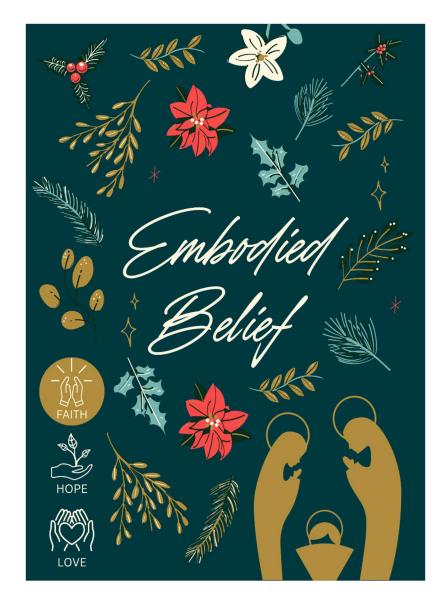
Contact us!

Email: <u>info@mortonumc.org</u> Phone: (309) 266-7174 Website: www.mortonumc.org

Business Hours: Monday-Thursday 8:30 am - 4:00 pm

For more information, or to download our church app, visit our website, or scan the QR code below!





Morton United Methodist Church

Sunday, December 4th, 2022

Morton United Methodist Church Annoucements

Giving Tree

Giving Tree gifts are due today! Please put gifts in the gates in the gathering area as soon as possible so our ladies can get to work sorting. Thank you for being a part of this ministry!

Holly Brook Hymn Sing

We would like to invite everyone to our Holly Brook Hymn Sing TODAY after service at 2pm at Holly Brook! We will be singing traditional Christmas hymns and a couple of fun Christmas songs. Please join us if you can. Children are welcome! It's about 30 minutes of fun-filled, joyous worship and fellowship with our offsite members and friends.

XYZ Activities

After service today, the XYZ group will be going to the Orpheus Club of Peoria's winter concert at First Federated Church in Peoria and out to dinner afterwards! Meet at the church at 2PM. Cost is \$5 at the door. We will also be having a Game Day on Tuesday at 10:30 in the gym.

Christmas Pageant

We will be having an impromptu Christmas Pageant after Dinner Church on Wednesday, December 14th for ages pre-K to 7th grade! Costumes and props will be provided. There will be cupcakes afterwards to celebrate Jesus' Birthday!

Manna from Heaven

The UMM are collecting hams to take to the food pantry Manna from Heaven. As mentioned before, Manna from Heaven is a food pantry on the South side of Peoria that loves Jesus. They are hoping to collect a total of 75 hams (medium size). There is a signup sheet in the gathering area. Hams can be put in the refrigerator. We will be delivering them the Tuesday morning before Christmas. We need to have them to church by Monday, December 19th. Please contact Lynn Losey with any questions.

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Sunday Worship

December 4th, 2022 8:30 a.m.

Welcome/Announcements

Processional O Come, O Come Emmanuel

Call to Worship* Leader: Blessed be the Lord

People: Who alone does wonderous things!

Leader: May God's righteousness flourish;

People: May God's peace abound!

All: Let all the peoples praise the Lord!

Passing the Peace*

Opening Hymn* Savior of the Nations Come

UMH 214

Advent Reading

Offertory I Wonder As I Wander

Doxology* UMH 94

Children's Time Pastoral Prayer The Lord's Prayer

Choral Anthem Still, Still, Still, Still
Old Testament Reading Isaiah 11:1-10
Gospel Reading* Matthew 3:1-12

Gloria Patri* UMH 70

Sermon "Kindle a Fire"
Pastor Bill Novak

Communion

Closing Hymn* Sing We Now of Christmas

UMH 237 (v.1-3)

Benediction*

Refrain* Verse 4 of *Sing We Now of Christmas*

Postlude

*Please stand if you are able

Scripture Reading

NIV

Matthew 3:1-12:

In those days John the Baptist came, preaching in the wilderness of Judea ² and saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven has come near." ³ This is he who was spoken of through the prophet Isaiah:

"A voice of one calling in the wilderness,

'Prepare the way for the Lord, make straight paths for him."

⁴ John's clothes were made of camel's hair, and he had a leather belt around his waist. His food was locusts and wild honey. ⁵ People went out to him from Jerusalem and all Judea and the whole region of the Jordan. ⁶ Confessing their sins, they were baptized by him in the Jordan River.

⁷ But when he saw many of the Pharisees and Sadducees coming to where he was baptizing, he said to them: "You brood of vipers! Who warned you to flee from the coming wrath? ⁸ Produce fruit in keeping with repentance. ⁹ And do not think you can say to yourselves, 'We have Abraham as our father.' I tell you that out of these stones God can raise up children for Abraham. ¹⁰ The ax is already at the root of the trees, and every tree that does not produce good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire.

¹¹ "I baptize you with water for repentance. But after me comes one who is more powerful than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire. ¹² His winnowing fork is in his hand, and he will clear his threshing floor, gathering his wheat into the barn and burning up the chaff with unquenchable fire."